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Know this: No human being is superior in any respect to the woman who keeps her head on and her will in action, and develops her natural powers.

According to Professor Wiley of the Bureau of Chemistry there are few articles of food that are unpoisoned. We don't mind that, if only the cook doesn't leave.

The lecturer who says a woman should not marry until she can support a husband must want to put the men of this country on a level with foreign noblemen.

A Minneapolis philosopher thinks it is a mistake to make too many good resolutions on New Year's day, because of what happens to them so soon after they are made.

According to The Railroad Gazette, returns received from practically every car-building plant in the country show that approximately 82,950 cars were built last year.

The dishes and silver at the St. Regis Hotel in New York are marked with an anchor. This, it is supposed, is a hint to souvenir collectors who prey on hotels and restaurants.

A New York millionaire is going to build a hotel where honest working people may eat, drink and sleep for fifty cents a day. This will give Senator Tom Platt an opportunity to save something.

Last winter's session of Congress was the shortest "long session" for ninety years. If the President carries out his threats about forcing the railroad freight rate legislation this will be the longest "short session" on record.

A newspaper may devote a column in the praise or commendation of a man and he will forget it in a couple of weeks, but a two-line local that is not altogether pleasing will be remembered by the average reader for two years.

Former United States Senator William E. Mason of Illinois is president of the American Fruit and Steamship Co., organized at Mobile, Ala., with a capital of \$5,000,000. Some of the larger fruit importers of Chicago, Saint Louis, Cincinnati and Louisville are concerned.

It is expected that there will be a determined fight in the Senate against Senator Scott's bill for reducing the cavalry regiments to ten, thus cutting them down one third. It is well known that the cavalry service is preferred to either the artillery or infantry by the army officers and men. Senator Scott claims that ten regiments of cavalry will answer all purposes of the United States. Cavalry is not necessary in the Philippines, except in a few isolated places. Since rifles and muskets of greater range have been introduced cavalry has gone into comparative desuetude. Unless the commander is insane there will never be another old time cavalry charge. Then the railroads crossing the country in so many directions make it possible for infantry to move with ten times the rapidity of cavalry. The day of cavalry, like the day of chivalry, is past.

## WASHINGTON LETTER.

Washington, Jan. 23.—It is nip and tuck between society and politics in Washington at this season, and the race will go on till Congress and society pass under the wire on the fourth of March next, when the season will end with a great parade and an inaugural ball. Heretofore the soldiers from the surrounding States have been quartered in the different department buildings. These have been closed against them and it is proposed to give them a taste of the horrors of war by quartering them in tents with plank floors warmed by patent stoves and furnished with sleeping cots, folding chairs and a "bath" tub.

The President's term in his own right will begin at noon on the fourth of March next. He will be no longer under the sacred behest of carrying out the policy of McKinley, whatever that policy may have been. But if his edge has not been dulled by the routine and humdrum of office the country may expect the liveliest administration in its history.

The most interesting episode of the week has been the defense of Senator Mitchell by himself on the floor of the Senate. Thirty-three years ago this same Senator Mitchell was the youngest senator, and served at that time with Morton of Indiana, Thurman of Ohio, Conkling of New York, Andrew Johnson of Tennessee, mighty shades long since dead. About two years ago he was returned to the Senate from Oregon, and after an absence of twenty-five years he is again on the Senate floor, among the ghosts of his old conferees. He has been charged with pushing through a land patent, using his Senatorial influence, and getting paid therefor, a bribe of two thousand dollars. The evidence against him is most positive, provided a convicted and sentenced witness can be believed. Your correspondent heard his defense, which was little more than an impassioned denial of having received any money for his efforts in getting through the land claim. His denial appears to have been effective in convincing his friends of his innocence, but to have had no influence over those not predisposed in his favor.

The sentence of Senator Burton of Kansas during the last term of Congress and the exposure of a number of members who had been too active in pushing schemes through the postoffice department, together with the case of Senator Mitchell and Representative Hermann of Oregon, cannot but be a wholesome warning to our law givers, admonishing them to confine their activities more strictly to their legislative work, warning them that they cannot act as attorneys for their constituents or friends. Everything points in the direction of cleaner statemanship and a higher and more rigid construction of the duties of the legislative branches of our government.

It will be remembered that during the recent presidential campaign Mr. Cortelyou, the Republican manager, repeated more than once that if President Roosevelt were elected he would be elected without a pledge or promise to any man. President Roosevelt has been elected, but it need not be assumed that he has nothing to give his friends or to those who worked unbought to secure his election. There are many Democrats holding desirable offices in Washington, there are many Republicans, who, to put it mildly, are unfit to hold the offices for which they have drawn pay for from four to twenty-four years. There has never been a President so thoroughly acquainted with the weakness and rotteness of the Civil Service as the present executive. Two or three

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My charges against the Civil Service of the United States will doubtless seem extravagant and exaggerated to far-off, wholesale admirers of our government and to those who imagine that it is impossible for the stars and stripes to float over anything that is not entirely and purely good. But to those who have been behind the scenes, who have seen the greasy ropes and pulleys by which splendid stage effects are produced, there is nothing extravagant in the statement. There are thousands of persons receiving the pay of the government who perform no adequate service for that pay—no service in fact that might not just as well be undone. They are the relics and relatives and friends and henchmen of members and senators and cabinet ministers, some of them long since dead and some of them still in Washington and influential. The present system of appointment under Civil Service examination will doubtless result, in time, in the purification and improvement of the service, but why should the government have to wait a quarter of a century for this improvement and purification, when thousands of well equipped and competent persons are ready to take the places of these incapables? The government work in many departments is far in arrears simply because these people appointed by favor will not work, have never worked, and do not know how to work.

A Philadelphia judge has ruled that "the only kind of kissing permissible under the law is the kind that occurs in the parlor when the lights are turned low," and that "the only safe kiss that can be given is the one after which no tales are told."

Mrs. Mary Olive Root, widow of the late Dr. Geo. F. Root, author of "Tramp, Tramp, Tramp," "The Vacant Chair," and other popular songs of the Civil War period, died at her home in Chicago recently. Mrs. Root was 79 years old.

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